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History. Not applicable.

Summary. This regulation assigns the mission and defines the major functions of the

US Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Applicability. This regulation applies to all ARI activities in the performance of personnel performance and training research, development, test, and evaluation (RTDE). The mission of ARI is to support the total force. In that context, this regulation applies to the Army National Guard and the US Army Reserve.

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1. Purpose.

This regulation sets forth the mission, principal functions, and command staff relationships of the Commander, US Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences (ARI).

2. Applicability.

This regulation applies to all ARI activities in the performance of personnel performance and training research, development, test, and evaluation (RTDE). The mission of ARI is to support the total force. In that context, this regulation applies to the Army National Guard and the US Army Reserve.

3. Mission.

The mission of the Commander, ARI is to—

- a.* Maximize combat effectiveness through timely research in the accession, training, use, and retention of soldiers.
- b.* Support decision making by the Army's leaders through personnel performance and training RDTE Programs.

4. Functions.

a. Conduct personnel performance and training RDTE. This includes basic research (6.1), exploratory development (6.2), and non-systems advanced development (6.3a) in the following areas:

- (1) Manpower and personnel.
- (2) Education and training.
- (3) Behavioral issues in training devices and simulators.
- (4) Human factors in training and operational effectiveness.

b. Increase the readiness and effectiveness of Army personnel, units, teams, and crews by conducting RDTE in the following areas:

- (1) Manning and maintaining the force.
- (2) Soldier/system integration.
- (3) Training for combat effectiveness.
- (4) Human factors in operational effectiveness of systems.
- (5) Organizational cohesion and commitment.

c. Conduct Army personnel performance and training RDTE through research laboratories at ARI headquarters located in the National Capital Region (NCR) and field units and scientific coordination offices collocated with military organizations (both domestic and foreign). Collocation assists in the formulation of RDTE needs on Army problems and better utilization of research results. It also makes available expertise, service and support, and other resources necessary to the personnel performance and training RDTE Program.

d. Provide technical expertise and advice as required to the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel (DCSPER), to military and civilian leaders of the Army Staff, to other DOD components, and to other Government agencies on matters pertaining to Army personnel performance and training RDTE Programs.

e. Establish and maintain liaison and coordination with major military and civilian research organizations.

f. Provide research support in its mission area to selected Army commanders through ARI field units and scientific coordination offices.

5. Command and staff relationships.

a. ARI is a field operating agency of the DCSPER, HQDA.

b. The ARI RDTE Program is developed and executed within the context of overall RDTE Programs and policies provided by the Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Research, Development, and Acquisition .

c. Directives, policies, and program guidance are issued to the Commander, ARI by or through the DCSPER.

d. Commander, ARI, with the agreement of local commanders or other authorities, may establish field units and scientific coordination offices with military organizations outside the NCR for the purposes of obtaining direct access to the military RDTE problems, military expertise in the problem areas, troop support, and groups capable of using ARI research results.

e. A Memorandum of Understanding executed between the Commander, ARI and the local commander will be the official documentation for establishing collocated field units or scientific coordination offices.

6. Channels of communication.

a. ARI is authorized, in executing its mission, to communicate with and visit: Army units, worldwide; schools and agencies of major commands whose functions relate to the mission of ARI; other US military services and other Government agencies on mission related technical and scientific subjects; (through appropriate channels) foreign military organizations and foreign academic institutions; other RDTE organizations, universities, institutes, and associations; and industry. Oversea visits will be coordinated and approved by the major overseas command.

b. Army units and all interested personnel listed in a above are authorized to communicate with and visit ARI on matters pertaining to the Army's personnel performance and training RDTE Program. The program is operated under the provisions of AR 70-8.

7. Mailing address.

Correspondence to ARI will be addressed to—
Commander

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